

WORK ON SUBWAY HALTED; CHANGES IN PLANS CAUSE

Director Twining Says Operations May Be Resumed in Month

MAYOR MUST APPROVE

Plans for the construction of the Broad street subway have been changed by the new Director of Transit William S. Twining. This was announced this afternoon by Mr. Twining, who explained that the modifications were due to conditions unforeseen when work on the project was started.

Mayor Smith conferred with the director today regarding the amount of money that should be included in the municipal loan bill for improvements in the city's transit system. After the meeting, the latter said:

"The delay is not important, as time will be saved in the end. I believe the changes will result in a better line. It is better to lose a little time at the start in a project involving such a great cost than to have to make changes later."

"Certain engineering problems have arisen that necessitate alterations, and all of these changes will be embodied in my report to the Mayor. I had a great deal to do with the plans of Mr. Twining and did not agree with all of his provisions at the time. Since I have become the Director of the Department of Transit I have explained these things to the Mayor, and have suggested certain modifications which he will act upon."

That part of the Taylor transit plan which places the central station of the Broad street subway under City Hall will be altered so that the greater part of the station will be beyond the lines of the public buildings, if the ideas of Mr. Twining are carried out. Other changes of equal importance are said to be under the Director's consideration, but he refused to discuss the matter in detail.

Work on the subway has been virtually at a standstill since the beginning of cold weather. Ground for the section beneath City Hall was broken on September 11. The contract is held by the Keystone Construction Company and the cost of the section is estimated at \$1,700,000. The principal trouble encountered since the undertaking was begun is said to have been due to the "rubble" which is contained in the foundation of City Hall, rather than solid stone.

NEAR-BATTLE IN HAITI CALLED OFF BY THEFT

Rebel "Beat It" With Men's Pay—U. S. Marines Escaped, Colonel Waller Says

Fifteen hundred Haitian soldiers were about to attack several United States marines when the commander of the enemy soldiers ran away with their pay and the battle was off. That commercialism stands higher than patriotism among the rebels was evident for the reason that they turned on their heels when within 100 yards of Uncle Sam's headquarters, and chased the abducting general.

He was captured by soldiers under the direction of Colonel Waller, commander of the United States Marine Corps at Haiti.

Colonel Waller arrived at the Philadelphia Navy Yard this afternoon from Haiti. The cruiser "Tanner" took him to Old Point Comfort. He made the rest of the journey by train. When pressed for details about conditions in Haiti the Colonel told of the "beat it" between the United States Marines and rebels, and said that, despite the many revolutions, Haiti is now in a progressive state of mind.

On September 4 last, Colonel Waller said, there were nine persons in Ouanaminthe and the population is now 3000. Riddled and burned buildings have been repaired and coffee and sugar mills are working full time. If given a chance under the United States flag, Colonel Waller said, Haiti could become one of the beauty spots of the world.

The Colonel was accompanied north by Captain William H. Barker, of the 2d Regiment, United States Marine Corps.

ROBBER SUSPECT BREAKS LEG IN LEAP FROM WINDOW

Charles J. Haven Held After Entry to Allegheny Avenue Residence

A man said to have been cornered in the act of robbing a house at 604 East Allegheny avenue, jumped out of a window shortly after noon today. His leg was fractured and he was sent to the Episcopal Hospital under police surveillance.

The Allegheny avenue house is occupied by George W. Wood. It is believed that no one was at home when the man forced an entrance, for when Mrs. Wood returned from marketing she heard the man upstairs. She called, but before she could summon the police the man jumped from the window on the second floor into the yard in the rear.

The man taken to the hospital gave his name as Charles J. Haven, 20 years old, 134 Catharine street. On his clothing was found 50 cents in change, and a half dozen handkerchiefs. A "pal" said to have been on the outside, got away.

EIGHT U. OF P. MEN HONORED

Faculty Elects Them Members of Phi Data Kappi

Eight new members were added today to Phi Data Kappi Fraternity through election by the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. It being the second election since January 1, 1916.

They were Alexander Robert Clapp, John Murdoch Clarke, Francis Liber Harley, Alfred G. Baker Lewis, Lawrence Corlies Murdoch, Harry Follis, Spencer Sweet Shattuck and Walter York.

Murdoch played on the 1915 football team, and was a substitute last year, and has played on the baseball team every year since 1913. He is a senior and will be graduated in June. Shattuck is an assistant manager of the track team. Clarke is managing editor of the Pennsylvaniaian, and York is a member of the Board of Editors.

Phi Data Kappi is an honorary society of students with branches in every university in the United States. Membership is only possible through faculty election, and only to men of exceptional scholarship.

Autoid Held for Child's Injuries Edward Fine, of 250 1/2 Spruce street, was held without bail by Magistrate Boston at the Central Station today, to await the result of injuries he is alleged to have inflicted upon a young boy, 2 years old, of 1504 South 24th street, with his automobile, at 10:45 and 10:50 o'clock, Sunday, when he knocked the child down, fracturing his skull.



WILLIAM B. KNIGHT

MYSTERY IN SHOOTING OF CAMDEN ATTORNEY GROWS; WOMAN HELD

William B. Knight, Clerk in Recorder Stackhouse's Office, in Serious Condition in Cooper Hospital

NO PLEA BY PRISONER

Mystery surrounding the wounding of William B. Knight, a widely known Camden lawyer, who was shot in Stackhouse's office, was not cleared up today, when the woman accused of the shooting, Mrs. Cecelia Hoefler, of 950 North 5th street, Camden, waived a hearing before Recorder Stackhouse and was held in \$2000 bail.

Mr. Knight is in the Cooper Hospital seriously wounded by one revolver bullet, which took effect when he was fired upon five times last night.

"He insulted me last December when I went to his office to engage his services in a case, the woman is quoted by the newspaper as saying in her alleged admission of the shooting. 'I bought a revolver when I left the office, and have been 'laying' for him ever since.' Her complete statement will not be made public by the police until it is presented to Prosecutor Kraft.

Mrs. Hoefler was calm as she was arraigned today, refusing to plead "guilty" or "not guilty." She is an attractive blonde, 29 years old, and has two children, a boy 3 years old and a girl 11 years. She is separated from her husband.

According to friends of Mr. Knight, Mrs. Hoefler has been annoying him for some time with requests that he represent her in a case. When he declined to act as her lawyer, they say, she became angry. She is said also to have demanded that he cause the removal from a Camden newspaper of a serial cartoon which she asserted was a reflection on her.

The shooting occurred on Cooper street near 6th street. Two boys who witnessed the attack on Mr. Knight say that the woman walked up behind the lawyer, and, after whispering something they could not understand, began firing. Five shots were fired, but only one took effect. When the wounded man fell, the boys assert, the woman turned and walked rapidly to 5th street. They followed her to Broadway and Federal street and saw her arrested by Policeman Wagoner.

Mr. Knight was taken into the office of a physician near the scene of the shooting, and from there was removed to the hospital. The boy witnesses are Crawford, 14 years old, of 734 Federal street, and Harry Barker, 13 years old, of 733 Carman street.

SOFT COAL MINERS' DEMANDS REJECTED

Operators, After Conference, Request Revision for Possible Compromise

NEW YORK, Feb. 29.—The demands of the soft coal miners were formally rejected today at the conference of the Joint Committee of the representatives of the United Mine Workers of America and the operators, according to information obtained from an authentic source when the Senate subcommittee, that the miners were notified to formulate fresh offers upon which a compromise could be based.

The original demands of the miners were three: (1) Twenty per cent wage increase on tonnage basis; (2) 10 per cent increase on day labor, and (3) mine run basis of payment.

It had been generally expected that the operators would refuse the miners' demands, but that a compromise ultimately would be reached, upon which the men would get a wage increase.

LAWYER ASSERTS BRANDeis "IS NOT STRAIGHTFORWARD"

Some in Boston, He Says, Would Use "Not Trustworthy"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29.—Edward W. Hutchins, a Boston attorney, today told the Senate subcommittee that the general opinion of the Boston bar was that Louis D. Brandeis, the President's Supreme Court nominee, "is a lawyer of great ability, but not straightforward."

Some Boston attorneys, said Hutchins, would go so far as to say Mr. Brandeis was not trustworthy, but the general opinion doesn't go that far.

Personally, Hutchins said, he had never had cause to complain of Brandeis' tactics in cases where they were opposed.

SEVEN SPITTERS ARRESTED

Policemen in Plain Clothes Enforce Health Ordinance on Market Street

Seven men were arrested this afternoon for spitting on the sidewalk in defiance of a city ordinance. The arrests were made by plain clothes policemen on Market street between 12th and 13th.

EQUAL RIGHTS TO WIFE, DECREED IN N. Y. COURT, PLEASES SUFFRAGISTS

Justice Shearn's Decision on Possession of Children Regarded as Recognition of Feminist Move

VIEW OF LEADERS HERE

Progress of the Years in Wife's Legal Rights

BLACKSTONE In 1768. "The very being and legal existence of the wife is suspended during marriage, or, at least, consolidated with that of her husband. For a man to covenant with his wife would be to covenant with himself."

NEW YORK SUPREME COURT In 1842. "M. Barry vs. M. Barry. It is denied that the father has the right to the custody of his children, even to his wife."

Suffragists and anti-suffragists here almost agreed today in their support of Justice Shearn of the New York Supreme Court, who in a decision yesterday said that in these advanced days a wife was no longer to be considered in any way subordinate to her husband; that she was his equal partner, and that therefore it was not for the father to assert his right to the custody of his children in case husband and wife separated.

The suffragists and anti-suffragists in Philadelphia did not agree about the "equal partner" part, but their agreement came in the phrase of the decision, which said the husband had no special right to children in the event of a separation.

Mrs. Horace Brock, leader of the anti-suffragists, said: "There must be a head of every concern, families also, but in the unfortunate event of a separation the only thing which should determine the placing of the children is the welfare of those children."

COMMENTS DECISION. Miss Caroline Katzenstein, secretary of the Equal Franchise Society, viewed the decision as one in which suffragists will rejoice, while Mrs. M. C. Morgan, a prominent Congressional Union worker, said that if the Justice had taken any other view, men and women alike would have decided that he was not fit for his place.

The suit was brought by the Rev. Burton Howard Lee, an Episcopal minister of Camden, N. Y., separated from Mrs. Lee, and desirous of possessing both their children. His argument was based on the old understanding that the father was the head of the family and therefore entitled to rule it as he pleased.

Justice Shearn refused to consider that this old idea prevailed any longer, and decided with the change of custom the law had changed, too, and that today the woman had equal rights with the man, the wife equal rights with the husband.

It was this that induced Miss Katzenstein to say: "The decision is one in which suffragists must rejoice, because it is just in line with the reform that we are advocating. Many persons do not realize that it is not only for the benefit of the woman, but for all that is implied by this recognition of our rights and duties as human beings. The ballot is only a tool, and woman suffrage is only one phase of the great feminist movement in which women are striving for an opportunity for full development. We wish to see the head of the family and the sharing equally with them the trials and fruits of life."

THE CHILD'S WELFARE. Mrs. Horace Brock, asked to comment from the anti-suffragists' viewpoint, said: "I think the Justice was right when he said the best interest of our children should be the welfare of the child. That has always been the principle our Pennsylvania courts have worked on. It isn't a case of something new or old, but of something that is right."

FUMES OF SCHWEITZER CHEESE CAUSE BABY TO GIVE FIRE ALARM

Sympathizing Sausages, Sorrowful Salmon and Other Delicatessen Perish in Flames, but Grocer's Family Escapes

Disaster came to a group of Schweitzer cheeses and several sympathizing sausages today in a fire which also strangled a flock of English blisters and suffocated many pounds of butter. The flames incidentally scalded a tank of pickles and squeaked the ambition of a bunch of defiant delicatessen generally.

And the fumes freighted with these expensive odors greeted the nostrils of 1-year-old Bennett Tenner as he rested comfortably between the blankets at his home, 3201 Gordon street. The varicolored smoke smelled good and the baby did the best thing under the circumstances. He cried emphatically.

This aroused the mother, Mrs. Samuel Tenner. She saw clouds of smoke pouring under the door. She took the baby in her arms, and then, groping her way through the hallway, aroused her husband by blowing a cloud of smoke into his face. The family reached the sidewalk flames burst from the windows of their grocery on the first floor. Another minute's delay might have been too late. The fire caused a loss of \$1000. Its origin is unknown.

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WILLIAM J. WELLS

WILLIAM J. WELLS, G. A. R. LEADER, DIES

Past Commander, Pennsylvania Department, Succumbs in Norristown

William J. Wells, past grand commander of the department of Pennsylvania, Grand Army of the Republic, and widely known in Norristown as former Recorder of Deeds of Montgomery County, died last night after a long illness at his home, 1221 Arch street, Norristown. He was 73 years old. Mr. Wells served four years in the Civil War as color bearer with the 48th Pennsylvania Volunteers. He had been principal of two of the Norristown public schools and was prominent as a Republican in Montgomery County.

His health declined in 1914, after he had served a year as grand commander of the Department of Pennsylvania, but the illness which ended in his death last night began on his return from the national encampment of the Grand Army in Washington last October.

Mr. Wells was born in Blina, Wales, on July 24, 1842. His parents brought him to New York when he was 14, and after living there two years, moved to Mineralville, Pa. He was educated in the public schools there and at the Williamsport Dickinson Seminary. When the Civil War began Mr. Wells joined the 48th Pennyl-

vania. He was made color bearer and sergeant. In the fighting before Petersburg he was wounded in the arm. He fought in both battles of Bull Run, Chancellorsville, Lookout Mountain and in many others. In 1865 he left the army and moved to Norristown, where he married Miss Nettie Gariner.

After the death of his first wife Mr. Wells and Leah Schultz, of Yellow Springs, Pa., were married in 1875. He taught at the Sandy street public school of Norristown, and was principal of the Oak street school until he was elected Recorder of Deeds in 1905. Before that time he had served 12 years as Councilman from the 8th Ward of Norristown. Mr. Wells is survived by a widow and her son, Ivan S. Wells, and Alonzo Wells, a son by his first marriage. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon.

MAN 100 YEARS OLD MARKS 24TH BIRTHDAY

Born in 1816, He Cut New Teeth Three Years Ago

STROUDSBURG, Pa., Feb. 29.—Andrew J. Wrick, of Ferridge, born in New Jersey in 1816, celebrated his 24th birthday today. Three years ago he cut a new set of teeth.

Wrick would be celebrating his 25th birthday but for the fact that 1900 was not recognized as a bi-centennial year. He has never ridden in a railroad train or automobile and never saw a street car.

PLAN FIGHT TO LIFT FREIGHT BAN IN

Chamber of Commerce to Conduct Campaign Against P. R. R. Embargo

To devise a plan for a quick lifting of the freight embargo which has crippled the business of the Chamber of Commerce, would launch a campaign in an effort to force the Chamber of Commerce will go into conference with N. B. Kelly, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, announced today that an organization would launch a campaign in an effort to force the Chamber of Commerce to lift the embargo. Business men are strident by the Chamber of Commerce, and coal speculators are responsible for the embargo of the tracks of the Pennsylvania Railroad in this city. A conference with Secretary Kelly was held today, at which he issued a statement in which he said that a large portion of the stalled freight cars are being used as sidetrack cars for speculative purposes. There are 1000 cars of grain and 1500 cars of coal tied up in the blockade.

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